FRINTON & WALTON
URBAN DISTRICT
COUNCIL

ANNUAL REPORT

of the

Medical Officer of Health

and

Chief Public Health Inspector

for 1968

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To the Chairman and Members of the
Frinton and Walton Urban District Council.

Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I have the honour to present the Annual Report on the state of Public Health in the Urban District of Frinton and Walton for the year 1968. The Report includes that of the Chief Public Health Inspector for the same period. The state of Public Health in the District remains satisfactory as in previous year.

There were 56 cases of infectious diseases notified, including 53 cases of Measles. No outbreaks of Food Poisoning occurred.

The birth rate at 15.1 is about the same as last year and the death rate at 11.2 is slightly higher. There were 125 live births, and only one infant death giving an infantile mortality rate of 8.0, which is much lower than the National figure. The number of illegitimate births was recorded at 11.0, compared with 12.0 last year. Deaths from cancer amounted to 40 including 6 cases of lung cancer, compared with 51 and 11 last year (1967).

The number of children attending County Clinics for immunisation amounted to 1,157 which included 458 injections against Diphtheria, Tetanus and Whooping Cough, 122 vaccinations against Smallpox, and 415 children received protection against Poliomyelitis. Measles vaccinations were started during the year and 162 injections were given.

The water supply remains satisfactory as in previous years both in quality and quantity, and owing to the measures taken by the Water Company, complaints of discoloration of mains tap water have been less frequent. A total of 230.889 million gallons was supplied to the District during the year. New mains laid amounted to a length of 1214 yards. Details of the various analyses of the supply are given elsewhere in the report.

Progress with Walton-on-Naze sewerage scheme continues and it is hoped that the system will be in operation next year.

The Mass Radiograph Unit visited Walton-on-the-Naze during the month of May and 984 persons attended for examination. Three persons were recalled for further examination and four other abnormalities were also detected. No cases of lung cancer were identified.

In conclusion, I would like to express my gratitude to the Council, the Public Health Committee, and Officers of the Council for their co-operation during the year, and to the Staff of the Public Health Department my thanks for their excellent work.

I am,

Your obedient Servant,

R. A. STENHOUSE,

Medical Officer of Health.

STATISTICAL MEMORANDUM

Urban District of	Frinton and Walton
Area in Acres	6,293
Population:	
1961 Census	9,571
1968 Registrar General's Estimate	11,920
Density of estimated population per acre	1.89
Rateable value	£626,635
Sum represented by a penny rate	£2,466
Number of inhabited dwellings (estimate)	5,574
Total live births	125
Birth rate (crude) (per 1,000 home population)	10.5
Birth rate (corrected)	15.1
Birth rate (England and Wales)	16.9
Number of illegitimate births	11
Total still births	5
Still birth rate	38.0
Still Birth rate (England and Wales)	14.0
Total deaths	253
Death rate (crude) (per 1,000 home population)	21.2
Death rate (corrected)	11.2
Death rate (England and Wales)	11.9
Death of infants under 1 year of age	1
Infant mortality rate (per 1,000 live births)	8.0
Infant mortality rate (England and Wales)	18.0
Infant mortality rate - legitimate	-
Infant mortality rate - illegitimate	8.0
Neo-natal mortality rate (Deaths under 4 weeks of age per 1,000 live births)	-
Early Neo-natal mortality rate (Deaths under 1 week of age per 1,000 live births)	-
Peri-natal mortality rate (Stillbirths and deaths under 1 week of age per 1,000 total births)	38.0
Deaths from diarrhoea (under 2 years of age)	-
Maternal deaths (including abortion)	-
Cancer	40
Deaths due to cancer of lung	6
Tuberculosis	-

LIVE BIRTHS DURING 1968

	Male	Female	Total
Legitimate	68	46	114
Illegitimate	4	7	11
	72	53	125

DEATHS AT VARIOUS AGES DURING 1968

Under 4 weeks	-
4 weeks and under 1 year	1
1 and under 5 years	-
5 and under 15 years	-
15 and under 25 years	1
25 and under 35 years	1
35 and under 45 years	1
45 and under 55 years	7
55 and under 65 years	21
65 and under 75 years	80
75 upwards	141
	253

CAUSES OF DEATH DURING 1968 (R.G.)

	Male	Female	Total
Cancer	19	21	40
Leukaemia	4	-	4
Diabetes Mellitus	1	2	3
Anaemias	1	-	1
Other Diseases of Nervous System, etc.	2	2	4
Chronic Rheumatic Heart Disease	-	3	3
Hypertensive Disease	1	2	3
Ischaemic Heart Disease	31	36	67
Other Forms of Heart Disease	12	10	22
Cerebrovascular Disease	14	25	39
Other Diseases of Circulatory System	3	5	8
Influenza	1	6	7
Pneumonia	4	9	13
Bronchitis and Emphysema	13	-	13
Asthma	-	1	1
Other Diseases of Respiratory System	-	1	1
Peptic Ulcer	2	-	2
Cirrhosis of Liver	1	-	1
Other Diseases of Digestive System	-	2	2
Nephritis and Nephrosis	-	2	2
Hyperplasia of Prostate	3	-	3
Other Diseases, Genito-Urinary System	-	1	1
Diseases of Musculo-Skeletal System	1	1	2
Congenital Anomalies	-	1	1
Motor Vehicle Accidents	3	1	4
All Other Accidents	3	-	3
Suicide and Self-Inflicted Injuries	1	1	2
All Other External Causes	-	1	1
	120	133	253

PREVENTION AND CONTROL OF INFECTIOUS AND OTHER DISEASES

	Total Cases Notified	Cases admitted to Hospital	Total Deaths
Dysentery	1	-	-
Measles	53	-	-
Pneumonia	1	-	-
Scarlet Fever	1	-	-
	56	-	-

IMMUNISATIONS IN 1968

	Year of Birth	Primary Course	Re-inforcing Injections
TRIPLE (DPT)	1965-68	168	107
	1961-64	3	37
	Others under 16 years	2	9
DIP/TET	1965-68	2	4
	1961-64	-	101
	Others under 16 years		13
DIPHTHERIA	Others under 16 years	-	2
PERTUSSIS	1965-68	1	-
TETANUS	Others under 16 years	7	2
POLIOMYELITIS	1965-68	157	86
	1961-64	3	142
	Others under 16 years	1	26
MEASLES	1965-68	77	-
	1961-64	82	-
	Others under 16 years	3	-

SMALLPOX VACCINATION		Primary	Re-vaccination
	Age 0 - 5 years	67	11
	5 -15 years	1	9
	15 and over	5	29

TUBERCULOSIS

No cases of Tuberculosis were notified, and no deaths occurred during the year 1968.

Notifications and Deaths from Tuberculosis since 1965:-

Year	New Cases	Deaths
1965	2	-
1966	1	1
1967	1	1
1968	-	-

The following figures give the number of cases on the Register at the end of 1968:-

Respiratory Male	18	Non-Respiratory Male	-
Respiratory Female	9	Non-Respiratory Female	-
	27		-

FOOD POISONING OUTBREAKS

No food poisoning outbreaks were reported in the Urban District during 1968.

NATIONAL ASSISTANCE ACT, 1948

National Assistance (Amendment) Act, 1951

Formal action under the above Acts was not required during 1968. Domestic assistance was arranged informally for two elderly persons living alone who needed help.

MASS RADIOGRAPHY

By arrangement with the North-East Metropolitan Regional Hospital Board, a Mass Radiography Unit visited Walton-on-the-Naze for a few days during May, 1968. 984 persons attended the Unit for X-ray.

REPORT OF THE CHIEF PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR ON THE SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE AREA

LABORATORY INVESTIGATIONS OF WATER, FOOD, ETC.

(a) WATER

	Bacteriological Examination Satisfactory	Unsatisfactory
Tendring Hundred Waterworks Company's Supply	20	-
Kirby-le-Soken Supply	6	-
Private Wells	3	1

	For Lead Content Satisfactory	Unsatisfactory
Tendring Hundred Waterworks Company's Supply	2	-
Kirby-le-Soken Supply	3	-
Private Wells	3	-

(b) ICE-CREAM

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(c) FOOD

	Bacteriological Examination Satisfactory	Unsatisfactory
Beef Minee	4	-
Pork Sausages Meat	3	-
Pork Sausages	4	-
Pork Pies	2	-
Beefburger	1	-
Fruit Salad	1	-
Dairy Cream	1	1
Butter Cream	1	-
Fresh Cream	1	1
Artificial Cream	2	-
Cream Confectionery	6	-
Cockles	4	1
Mussels	2	-
Whelks	4	1

(d) MILK

	Bacteriological Examination	
	Satisfactory	Unsatisfactory
Machine Washed Bottles	6	-

WATER SUPPLY

Practically the whole of the water supplied to the Urban District was obtained from the Dedham Pumping Station of the Tendring Hundred Waterworks Company, with some assistance from the Company's subsidiary sources at Lawford, Stratford St. Mary and Higham.

The quantity of water supplied to the Frinton and Walton district in the 12 months ended 31st. December, 1968 amounted to 230.889 million gallons, an average daily consumption of 0.631 million gallons, with a peak of 0.873 million gallons per day.

The total quantity taken for domestic purposes during the year was 194.932 million gallons, an average daily consumption of 0.533 million gallons. The total amount taken through trade meters was 35.957 million gallons, an average daily consumption of 0.098 million gallons.

The total number of connections (domestic and trade) made in the year to the Company's mains in the Urban District, amounted to 144.

Approximately 1,214 yards of new mains of 4", 6", 9" and 12" diameter have been laid in the Frinton and Walton district during the year.

Tendring Hundred Waterworks Company
Dedham Works - Water Analyses
Chemical Results in Parts per Million

		1968	
		Maximum	Minimum
Colour		8	-
pH		7.8	7.5
Electric Conductivity		980	870
Chlorine present as Chloride		140	126
Hardness	Total	300	280
	Carbonate	270	250
	Non-Carbonate	40	15
Nitrate Nitrogen		0.5	0.0

	Maximum	Minimum
Ammonical Nitrogen	0.80	0.30
Albuminoid Nitrogen	0.02	0.0
Metals (Iron)	0.20	0.1
Turbidity	less than 3	Nil
Odour	very faint	Nil
Free Carbon Dioxide	18	10
Total Solids	660	540
Alkalinity as Calcium Carbonate	270	250
Nitrite Nitrogen	0.01	Absent
Oxygen absorbed	0.30	0.00
Residual chlorine	0.30	0.10

BACTERIOLOGICAL RESULTS

		1 day at 37°C.	2 days at 37°C.	3 days at 20°C.
Number of Colonies developing on Agar	Minimum	0 per ml.	1 per ml.	1 per ml.
	Maximum	0 per ml.	0 per ml.	0 per ml.

	Present in	Absent from	Probable Number
Presumptive Coliaerogenes Reaction	- ml.	100 ml.	0 per ml.
Bact. coli (Type 1)	- ml.	100 ml.	0 per ml.
Cl. welchii Reaction	- ml.	100 ml.	

REMARKS

These samples are practically clear and bright in appearance have a reaction on the alkaline side of neutrality and are free from metals apart from a minute trace of iron. The water is hard in character but its hardness and its content of mineral and saline constituents in solution are not excessive. It conforms to the highest standard of organic quality and bacterial purity.

These results are indicative of a water which is pure and wholesome in character and suitable for public supply purposes.

All samples were analysed by the Counties Public Health Laboratories.

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The Kirby-le-Soken water supply continues to provide water satisfactory in both quality and quantity.

Domestic well water supplies were kept under observation throughtout the year.

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The approximate number of dwelling-houses supplied by public mains is:-

		Houses	Population (est.)
a)	Direct to houses	5,504	11,720
b)	Standpipes	70	200

SANITARY ADMINISTRATION

The following is a synopsis of the principal work carried out by the Public Health Inspectors during 1968:-

Inspections (Public Health and Housing Acts)	1,480
Other Inspections	2,112
Informal Notices served, written and verbal	149
Informal Notices complied with	127

The following are the Principal Improvements obtained:-

HOUSING

Roofs repaired	2
Gutters and spouting, repaired or renewed	4
Floors repaired	5
Wall and ceiling plaster repaired	8
Windows repaired	8
Rooms cleansed and decorated	3
Plumbing repairs	7

DRAINAGE

Drainage systems repaired or improved	19
Drainage systems unblocked and cleansed	40
Cesspits emptied and cleansed	183

REFUSE RECEPTACLES

Defective refuse receptacles renewed	27
Paper Sack holders provided, new dwellings	180

NUISANCES

Insect nuisances abated	16
Rooms fumigated	4
Rubbish accumulations removed	123
Offensive accumulations removed	1

Smoke nuisances abated	2
Derelict cars removed for disposal	33
Overgrown Land cleared	3

FOOD PREMISES

Kitchens enlarged and modernized	1
Wall, ceiling and floor improvements	17
Rooms redecorated	41
Room lighting improved	2
Ventilation otherwise improved	2
New sinks provided	5
Modern food equipment provided	11
First-Aid Kits provided	9
Miscellaneous improvements	14

OFFICES AND SHOPS

Provision of

Gas or electric heaters	2
Improved ventilation	3
Improved lighting	3
Improved sanitary conveniences	4
Wash-hand basins	2
Hot water supplies	2
Clothing accommodation	4
Thermometers	6
Machinery Guards	1
Abstract of Act	9
Other Improvements	14

PREVENTION OF DAMAGE BY PESTS ACT, 1949

Visits by Public Health Inspectors, est.	161
Visits by Rodent Operator, est.	1,051
Properties inspected	625
Properties treated	274
Overgrown Plots treated	5
Sewer maintenance treatments	3
Other Council Undertakings treated	15

VERMIN, MOTH ETC.

Rooms and contents fumigated	3

CLOSETS

W.C. accommodation cleansed and decorated	8
W.C. accommodation repaired and improved	8
New sanitary fittings provided	5
Caravan Sites, miscellaneous improvements	11
Other improvements	9

RIVERS AND STREAM POLLUTION

No improvement can yet be reported in connection with the unsatisfactory condition of Kirby Stream, a matter which has been referred to for several years past. During the year, a contract was commenced for the provision of a pumping station at Kirby Sewage Works, to carry sewage to new Disposal Works in Walton-on-the-Naze. The improvement, when completed, will obviate further pollution of Kirby Stream.

HOUSEBOATS

Of the original 14 houseboats moored on property of the Walton and Frinton Yacht Trust Ltd. in Mill Lane, Walton-on-the Naze, only 9 vessels remain. Some are in poor condition, and occupation should be discontinued as soon as possible. Final clearance of all houseboats from Mill Lane is scheduled for September, 1970.

MOSQUITO DESTRUCTION

No action was found necessary during 1968 in the treatment of mosquito breeding areas.

PORT SANITATION

No action was necessary under the Port Sanitary Regulations.

PET ANIMALS ACT, 1951

Premises registered	1.

CARAVAN SITES

No difficulties arose in connection with the operation of the 7 licensed caravan sites, which are confined to seasonal use, and provide accommodation for 1,554 caravans. All sites are provided with mains water, main drainage and modern sanitary and amenity facilities, and in general all are satisfactorily managed and comply with conditions of licence.

OFFICES, SHOPS AND RAILWAY PREMISES ACT, 1963.

Registrations:-

Offices	36)	employing 383
Shops	98)	female and 218
Catering Establishments	13)	male persons.

SEWERAGE AND SEWAGE DISPOSAL

The contract for the provision of new Sewage Disposal Works at the Naze was continued, but completion has been delayed and it will not be in operation as early as expected. The trunk foul sewer has been laid through the valley between Elm Tree Avenue and Kirby Road and relief sewers have been provided from Walton Road and Kirby Road. A new main surface water sewer, which includes an open watercourse, has been constructed from the western end of Butcher's Lane to its point of discharge into the Walton Mere Boating Lake.

A contract has commenced for the provision of pumping stations at Frinton-on-Sea and Kirby-le-Soken, together with all necessary linking sewers to carry sewage to the new works at the Naze. Part of the village of Great Holland will be provided with a new sewerage system, and this will be linked to the Frinton Pumping Station. On completion of the contract, estimated for early 1970, the use of the Great Holland and Kirby-le-Soken Treatment Works will be discontinued, and a sea outfall off Frinton-on-Sea will cease to operate as a discharge for foul sewage. The sewerage of the Vista Avenue area of Kirby-le-Soken forms part of this contract.

BATHING POOL

A satisfactory bacteriological standard was maintained during 1968 of water forming a private bathing pool of 80,000 gallons capacity, at the Martello Caravan Site in Walton-on-the-Naze. 21 samples of the filtered and chlorinated mains water were submitted for examination, and all satisfied the Laboratory tests.

PUBLIC CONVENIENCES

New Public Conveniences for both sexes on the promenade at the Leas, Frinton-on-Sea, were completed and opened in time for the Spring Bank Holiday of 1968. This brings the total number of public lavatories in the area to 16. Viz:- Frinton-on-Sea - 6, Walton-on-the-Naze - 9 and Kirby-le-Soken - 1. Free hand-washing arrangements are provided at all the prinicipal Conveniences, in addition to wash and brush-up facilities.

CLEAN AIR ACT, 1956

The Urban District is almost entirely free of any form of air pollution. There are only two factories, both in Walton-on-the-Naze, and boiler chimneys have been provided with efficient dust and grit arresters.

HOUSING

Inspection

Number of houses inspected for housing defects under Housing or Public Health Acts	107

Housing Acts

Unfit houses demolished	11
Unfit house demolished, voluntarily	1
Unfit houses closed, pending demolition	3
Unfit basement Flat closed	1

Repairs

Unfit houses rendered fit and houses in which defects were remedied as a result of informal action under Housing or Public Health Acts	51

IMPROVEMENT GRANTS

Financial grants made available to owners for carrying out approved improvement/conversion work to older type houses, including -

Discretionary Grants	7
Standard Grants	18

NEW HOUSES ERECTED DURING 1968

	Commenced	Completed
By the Council	-	-
By Private Enterprise	158	124

COUNCIL DWELLINGS

Particulars of the number and location of Council dwellings were contained in the Annual Report for 1967. No new dwellings have been built during 1968, but the possibility of providing a further small number of dwellings for elderly persons on the Bemerton Estate, Kirby Cross was under investigation at the end of the year.

Occupied Council dwellings total 379, comprising 234 houses, 38 Maisonettes, 85 Flats and 22 bungalows.

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Council dwelling units erected since 1946 - 285

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In order to make the fullest use of existing accommodation, tenants of under-occupied three-bedroom houses are transferred to small flats or bungalows, whenever this is found possible. The three-bedroom houses released are then allocated to family units from the Tenancy Waiting Lists.

The programme for the modernization of older type Council houses, by the provision of standard amenities, was continued during 1968.

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Spendells House, which contains 26 bed-sitting room Flatlets and 4 one-bedroom Flats for elderly persons, continued to operate smoothly. There is no doubt that the quiet and peaceful surroundings of the building, the comfort and warmth of the rooms, facilities and amenities available and the discreet supervision of the resident Warden, are greatly appreciated and enjoyed by residents.

There is no shortage of applicants for vacant tenancies, and towards the end of the year preliminary consideration was being given by the Housing Committee to the possible provision of similar type sheltered accommodation for elderly persons in or near Frinton-on-Sea, if a suitable site could be found.

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No problems arose in the management by the Council, on behalf of the Greater London Council, of 40 bungalows for elderly persons in Clays Road and Thorns Close on the Farmlands Estate, Walton-on-the-Naze.

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WAITING LISTS FOR TENANCIES

During 1968, 21 family applicants on the Waiting Lists were re-housed in three-bedroom Council houses and 3 tenancy exchanges were arranged. In addition, 11 tenancy transfers were necessary.

The Waiting Lists of Applicants for the tenancies of Council dwellings, revised at the end of the year, contained the names of 77 applicants for houses, 99 Applicants for small dwellings and 41 applicants for sheltered accommodation.

FOOD

FOOD PREMISES

The following table sets out the number of food premises subject to the Food Hygiene (General) Regulations, 1960. All the premises are fitted in compliance with the Regulations.

Premises	Number	Inspections.
Grocers and Provisions Merchants	33	64
Restaurants and Cafes	32	131
Hotels and Guest Houses	29	15
Seasonal Refreshment Kiosks	13	14
School Canteens	5	2
Workshop Canteens	1	1
Clubs, etc.	11	2
Butchers	10	97
Bakeries and Cake Shops	12	64
Wet Fish Shops	5	19
Fried Fish Shops	3	19
Milk Shops	9	7
Food Hawkers	9	9
Greengrocers and Fruiterers	16	11
Confectioners	17	41
Licensed Premises	15	12
	220	508

REGISTRATION OF FOOD PREPARATION PREMISES

Food preparation premises registered with the Council:-

Ice-Cream, sale only	91
Shell-fish, preparation	2
Fried Fish Shops	3
Sausage and Preserved Meats, preparation	22

INSPECTION OF MEAT AND OTHER FOODS

Foodstuffs condemned as unfit for human consumption, and destroyed:-

Fish products	...	253 pkts.
Cockles	...	14 galls.
Meat	...	(200 lbs.
	...	(63 tins.
Meat products	...	117 pkts.
Fruit Juices	...	100 tins.
Fruit	...	46 tins.
Fruit Fillings	...	10 tins.
Fruit Salads	...	96 tins.
Vegetables	...	217 pkts.
Sweets	...	14 lbs.
Pastry	...	11 pkts.
Mousse	...	17 pkts.
Cheeseburgers	...	12 pkts.

There are no slaughterhouses in the District. One meat purveyor arranges for food animals to be slaughtered in licensed premises in an adjoining area, but the bulk of butcher's meat is obtained from Wholesale suppliers. Home-killed meat is inspected at the places of slaughter. Meat stored and exposed for sale at local premises, is inspected from time to time by the Council's Public Health Inspectors.

MILK SUPPLY

The whole of the milk provided to the District is supplied by Dairy Companies having premises, other than local storage depots, outside the area. Only a limited amount of milk is produced at local dairy farms, and this is sold to the Suppliers.

During the year, the last remaining dairy in the District - Messrs. Birch Hoe Farm Dairies Ltd., Pole Barn Lane, Frinton-on-Sea - was taken over by a Dairy Company supplying milk to the area, and the premises are now used only as a milk storage depot.

There are 15 registered Distributors of Milk, including shopkeepers who sell milk in the unopened containers in which it is supplied.

ICE-CREAM

Manufacturers of ice-cream	nil
Vendors of ice-cream	91

BAKEHOUSES

There are five registered bake-houses in the District. No change can be reported in the working and other conditions recorded in the Annual Report for 1967.

PUBLIC CLEANSING

REFUSE COLLECTION

The Council provides a regular weekly refuse collection service at all dwelling-houses in the area. Trade refuse is removed from business premises by arrangement with managements. Special collections of refuse are arranged during the summer season at hotels, restaurants, cafes and caravan sites.

The quantity of refuse dealt with during 1968 was approximately 37,000 cubic yards or about 1,000 yards more than in 1967, an indication of the increased refuse output from an expanding District.

Income from all refuse collection and disposal sources amounted to £1,159.

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In February, 1968, the Council resolved to implement the paper sack method of refuse collection covering the whole of the Urban District, as a rate-borne charge, at such time as is considered expedient. At the end of the year, some 600 dwellings on new private housing estates were employing paper sacks for refuse storage, sack holders having been provided by the Estate Developers at the request of the Council, and the latter supplying the holders with sacks.

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Facilities for the free disposal of unwanted household equipment and large articles have been made available to local householders at the Council's Refuse Disposal Site at Kirby-le-Soken. The Site is reasonably convenient and available every week-day during normal working hours. The full use of this facility by householders should do much to prevent the indiscriminate dumping of unwanted articles and rubbish on roadside verges and vacant plots.

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123 Loads of reject furniture, other bulky articles and miscellaneous household rubbish were dealt with at the Refuse Disposal Site, transport being provided either by householders or the Council on request. A charge is made against householders when Council transport is used.

As a result of formal or informal action under the provisions of the Civic Amenities Act, 1967, it was possible during the year to secure the removal of 33 derelict or unwanted cars for destruction. Removal of the cars was arranged by Contractors, the Council's expenses being recovered when possible from car owners.

REFUSE DISPOSAL

Efforts were continued to secure additional land, urgently required, for the disposal of refuse by controlled tipping and the Council hope to be in a position to acquire for the purpose approximately 7¼ acres of suitable low-lying land adjacent to the existing Refuse Disposal Site. Negotiations with the land owners were in progress at the end of the year.

STREET SCAVENGING

There is no change to report in street scavenging arrangements, road cleansing being carried out mainly by a Lacre Mechanical Sweeping Vehicle and street gully cleansing by mechanical means under contract.

WEATHER

Sunshine	-	1494.3 hours.
Rainfall	-	23.34 inches.

FACTORIES

FACTORIES ACT, 1961

PART I OF THE ACT

1. Inspections for purposes of provisions as to health.

Premises (1)	Number on Register (2)	Number of Inspections (3)	Number of Written Notices (4)	Occupiers prosecuted (5)
i)Factories in which Sections 1, 2, 3, 4 and 6 are to be enforced by Local Authorities	21	15	-	-
ii) Factories not included in (i) in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority	61	35	-	-
iii) Other premises in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority (excluding out-workers' premises)	3	2	-	-
Totals:	85	52	-	-

2. Cases in which defects were found.

Particulars (1)	Number of cases in which defects were found				Number of cases in which prosecutions were instituted (6)
	Found (2)	Remedied (3)	Referred To H.M. Inspector (4)	Referred By H.M. Inspector (5)	
Want of Cleanliness (S.1.)	1	1	-	-	-
Overcrowding (S.2.)	-	-	-	-	-
Unreasonable temperature (S.3.)	-	-	-	-	-
Inadequate ventilation (S.4.)	-	-	-	-	-
Ineffective drainage of floors (S.6)	-	-	-	-	-
Sanitary Conveniences (S.7.) (a) Insufficient	-	-	-	-	-
(b) Unsuitable or Defective	2	3	-	1	-
(c) Not separate for sexes	-	-	-	-	-
Other offences against the Act (not including offences relating to Outwork)	-	-	-	-	-
Totals:	3	4	-	1	-

PART VIII OF THE ACT

SECTIONS 133 and 134

Section 133				Section 134
Nature of work (1)	Number of Outworkers in August list required by Section 133 (1) (c) (2)	Number of cases of default in sending lists to the Council (3)	Number of prosecutions for failure to supply lists (4)	Number of instances of work in unwholesome premises (5)
Wearing Apparel Making etc.	2	-	-	-

The premises were inspected and found to be in a satisfactory condition.